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George W. Stratton

Nov-18-1901

bought in Honolulu H. I.

George W. Stratton,  
485 No Main St.  
Fairhaven,  
Mass.

U. S. A.

~~formerly~~ of 128 State Street.  
New Bedford,  
Mass.

U. S. A.



Left Honolulu for San-  
Francisco Nov. 23-1901 on  
Ship Tillie E. Starbuck

Mr. Frank Thompson  
501 Bryant St San third  
San. Francisco  
Cal.

Commence to live at Lane's  
Dec. 17. 1901-

Londella expert lattoyer  
430 Leupont St S. F.  
Colors. Green, Yellow, Orange,  
purple, Brown, Black, Red.  
and Blue.



Distance from London to  
New York - 3245 miles  
Boston - 3025 "  
San Francisco 13670 "  
Cape Horn 7395 "

Left home April 19 - 1899

New England Hatch Co  
Clay Speckals Bed.  
San Francisco.

The property of Mrs. Geo.  
H. Stratton  
Hands Off.

Bark Chas. W. Morgan  
New Bedford  
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Ship City of Benares

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Sighted East Coast of Africa  
Nov. 13-1899

Passed St Helena about two  
miles off Nov. 26-1899

Dec-4 Passed Ascension

" 7 Crossed the line

" 25 Lat 36.28<sup>N</sup> Long 36.00<sup>W</sup>

Jan 5 Lat 45-00<sup>N</sup> " 12.00<sup>W</sup> 1400

" 29 Shipped on S.S. St Giles

Mar 13 Payed off in Dublin.

" 24 Shipped on Bk. Lunearn

Aug 14 " " " " Crom of India

Jan 14. 1901 Payed off in Hull

Mar-7 " Shipped on Shp. Thalatta

" 9 Left Tyne Dock.

" 27. Passed Madeira

Sept 29 Shipped on Shp. Tithie E

Starbuck



Left San. Francisco Oct 6-1901  
for Honolulu arrived Oct 21-89  
Left for San. Francisco Nov 23  
1901 arriving in San. Francisco  
Dec-12, 1901. Prayed off  
with <sup>4</sup>54.35

Dec-27-1901 Shipped on board  
Bark John + Winthrop on a  
whaling voyage.

Sighted the Hawaiian Islands  
Jan. 21-1902.

Arrived in Honolulu Jan 23  
1902 left Jan 25 1902

Sighted Land Feb 12-1902  
Saw a school of sperm whales.  
Mar. 28. 19.02 lower the boat and  
got three small ones giving 25 barrels  
Apr. 15 we got one right whale  
giving us 1800 lbs of bone and 107  
barrels of oil.

May 10, 1902 Passed through  
the channel that leads from  
the Pacific Ocean into the  
Chotok Sea. sighted land at



the Pacific Ocean into the  
Chukot Sea sighted

May 10-1902 Lat 48.20 North

May 25 just in snow for 3 days

5.30 P.M. Had a terrible snow  
storm. May-8-9 and very cold.

May 16-1902 Lat 52.00 North sighted  
land about half past two bore the  
lead and got a big cod fish.  
since we have been here we have  
had some very cold weather and  
snow storms.

May 24-1902 Passed Jansaki  
Cape and Island also plenty  
of field-ice and hair-seal.

May 26-1902 Sighted land  
this morning about two  
o'clock it is a beautiful  
sight land on both sides of  
the ship and covered with  
snow. We expect to arrive  
at Western to night.

May 27-1902 Anchored at Kell  
Island this morning at 11.30 went  
ashore after dinner shooting  
duck it is a desolate country



the Esquima are a poor looking people. The people only hunt for a living and live on meat and what they can trade  
May 28 1902 A few of the natives came aboard to night and done a little trading but they did not have much.

May 30 - 1902 Went ashore last night and saw the native hill five reindeer there were about 2000 of deer it was a sight worth seeing to day we got up anchor and we are going to cruise around the land.

June 2 1902 I started for the North East Gulf.

June 7 - 1902 Arrived in the Gulf about eleven o'clock anchored out side on account of the strong current hove up anchor about eleven P.M. and started



June 8 1902

for Loretown and anchored again on account of field ice and calms. We are in the middle of the Gulf. Loretown is about fourteen miles away.

June 9 Ship anchored at Loretown. the natives came aboard and we done a little trading.

June 12-1902 The natives have been aboard since the 9th - Yesterday they came along-side with 4 seals. they are a large and timid animal - also sighted three porpoise. Ice is very plentiful it is mostly ground ice and large pieces and very thick.

June 14 1902 The chief, priest with their wives came aboard this afternoon they are a queer lot of people.

June 15 1902 Anchored in



Jenks Bay the royal family  
went ashore. Sighted a few  
seals but we could not get  
any.

June 20/1902 Anchored near bow-  
head island.

June 21/1902 Sighted our first  
bowhead at 5.30 lower the  
boats about eight called the  
boats back to the ship about  
10.30 The whales were scared off  
by the officers the mate using  
paddles and sailing over the  
whales wake. Hove up anchor  
and started out after the whale  
sighted whales all day but they  
were too far, too windward.

at 10.30 the 3rd and 5th mate  
lower after a whale but they  
did not see it after they  
lowered.

June 25/1902 Anchored off. L'Anse-  
au-Loup went ashore with the Captain  
to do some trading we got every



thing they had. The houses of the natives are built near a river.

upon posts and are made of mud and grass they are a dirty set of people their chief occupation is fishing and hunting There is about fifty dogs to every person.

June 27 1902 Sighted whales off Bowhead Island lowered the boats at 3.15 but we did not see them after we lowered boats came back at 4.50 sighted them again at 7 P.M. but they were going to windward and <sup>we</sup> ~~the~~ did not lower.

July 2 1902 Anchored in Jenks Bay it is blowing a gale from the S.W.

July 4 1902 Anchored off L'Anse-au-Loup Captain went



ashore and got a few ducks.  
it is a very fine day.

July 5 1902 It is foggy and very  
thick around the land.  
hove up anchor after dinner. to go  
on a short cruise. broke out sugar,  
and beans. it is a beautiful  
afternoon.

July 6 1902 Anchored off Jenkins Bay  
at 12.30 it is blowin' very hard  
hove up at 9.30 July 7.

July 8 Sighted whales and got  
one small one. cutting it all  
night.

July 9 Started trying out it  
made 37 barrels the natives  
are aboard and they are  
having a great feast eating  
blunkers.

July 12 Anchored at 2 P. M.  
northward of Bowhead Island  
native boat came along side  
at 6 P. M. and we done some  
trading.



July 27 put in irons for two  
hours

July 24 1902. Anchored at 1230  
at Loretown blowing a gale  
from the S. W.

July 28 1902 Lower boats at  
half past five and we  
got one bowhead cut it  
in and made for anchor-  
age to try-out.

July 31 1902 Started on a  
another cruise out to-  
wards the mouth of the  
bay.

Aug 4 1902 Left Eastam for the  
right whaling grounds around the  
Chukchi Sea

Aug 13 1902 Sighted Janaki  
Cape about twenty miles off.

Aug 29 Sighted Lead Island  
Lat 51.00 N about 12 miles off.

Sept 21 1902 Sighted a Russian  
S. S. liner bound toward the westward.



Sept 27 1902, sighted sperm  
whales and lowered the 3 boats  
about 2 45 P. M. The fourth  
mate was the first to get fast  
and the third mate second.  
While we were engaged  
killing the whale we got on  
top of his fluke and he  
struck our boat and smash  
it all to pieces it sank and  
we lost it. The third mate  
fought us up and we shot  
the whale through the  
side but he had to  
cut at dark. He lost 4 guns  
and all the lost gear but  
17 fowls.

Sept 30 1902 Lat. 45.32 North  
I started to go home by  
1902 at 4 30 P. M. we were  
25 miles from land.  
Oct 8 1902 Lost two boats during  
a heavy gale and our sails  
and a little cargo down.



Oct 15 1902 Lat 43° 00' Long  
122° 30' East.

Oct 26-1902 Sighted whales  
at ten o'clock. The crew  
refuse to go in the boats  
and there were nine of us  
put in rows and I got  
struck by the captain with  
a belaying pin and knock  
senseless. I was taken as the  
ring leader but I had nothing  
to say about it.

Nov 15 1902 We are eighty-five  
miles from Point Reyes. Light  
wind from the westward sighted  
a three masted schooner.

Nov 16 1902 Dropped Anchor at  
San Francisco at 12.30.

Nov 17 1902 Went ashore at nine  
o'clock.

Nov 20 1902 Shipped on the  
C. H. Morgan for a whaling



Nov 18 1902 Signed articles to  
go on the Blanche Morgan for a  
whaling voyage.

Nov 20. 1902 Left San Francisco  
at 2.30. fine weather wind from  
the East.

Nov 24 1902 Sighted 3 hump  
whales and we got 1st.

I am in the second mate's boat  
and we got one good sized  
cow whale.

Jan 28 1903 Arrived at the  
factory at San Francisco.

Jan 1st 1903 Left at 10 and  
had a fine time all day  
the water was very warm  
and it was very  
good.

Jan 12 1903 Left San Francisco  
for the Caroline Group.

Feb 13 1903 Arrived at the  
factory at San Francisco  
and stayed for about 10 days.



Feb 24 - 1903 Left for the  
Island at 11:00 AM  
and returned at 6:30 PM

Came aboard at 6:30 -  
very dangerous around  
here there is a coral reef  
around the island a mile  
from the land. we got  
fruit, pigs and chickens.

Feb 25 1903 sighted Laysan  
Island but did not stop.

March 4 1903. Went in the  
galley as cook.

July 13 1903 Arrived at  
Laysan

Aug 20 Went into the  
Aloha Sea

Sept 11 - Came out of  
the sea

Oct 26 - 1903 Arrived in  
Piseco.



Nov. 20 1903 Left Fairer  
on a whaling cruise on R/V  
C. V. Morgan.

Dec-18-1903 Passed  
Hawaii one of the Sand-  
wich Islands.

Dec-25-1903 Found Lulu  
a boatman died from  
consumption.

Dec-29-1903 Passed Johnston  
Island.

Jan-9-1904 Sighted King-  
Mall Island the natives  
boat crew went ashore  
to get some fruit all we  
could get were coconuts.

Jan 11-1904 Sighted Oahu  
Island boat crew went  
as far as the breakers  
and a few natives came  
out to do some trading.  
Started for the Hawaiian  
Islands.



Jan 12 Lighted Pleasant  
Island at noon. natives came  
out to the ship to do some  
trading got a few pigs and  
chickens.

Jan 13 1904. The Governor and  
missionary came aboard to  
see the captain. we sold two  
boats and got 40 pigs, two boats  
load of coconuts and other  
small things.

Jan 14 1904 Passed Strong  
Island but did not stop.

Jan 18 Lighted Penlope and  
spoke to the natives and  
giving Governor.

Jan 19 Passed Penlope at night  
Gaun 630 miles N.E. of us.

Jan 20 Arrived at Gaun  
at 10 o'clock



Jan 26 Went to Petter  
and took 400 barrels of  
water

Feb 25 Sighted sperm  
whales lower but did  
not get it.

Mar 24 Sighted a school of  
whales lower 4 boats and  
got four. and lost two along  
side.

Mar 27-1904- Sighted school  
of whales lower and got 7  
I got my shoulder knocked  
off of place by rammers  
on the boat's stern post.

April 23, 1904 Sighted school  
of big sperm whales lower  
first boat we struck first  
and the whale  
hit the boat and tore  
it quite bad.

April 27 1904 Sighted whales  
at 5.30 lower third note



struck but got stove  
2nd mate took the  
whale but the lums  
parted before any of the  
other boats could get up  
to it.

May 7 1904 Sighted whale  
at 9. lower and got on

May 9 Spoke the Alis  
Shunks bound to the  
southward 150 lbs. on  
board.

July 13 Arrived at Hakodate  
Japan at 8.30.

July 27 1904 Left Hakodate at  
ten for the sperm whaling  
grounds.

July 29-1904 Took soundings and  
got 80 fathoms of water Course  
E. by S.



July 9 1904 Sighted whale  
at 10 o'clock lower part of  
all the boat got lost  
the first man struck a big  
bellows and he got away from  
the school. The whale made  
long soundings taking a  
rest and a half each time  
at last the line down and  
we pulled up to strike him  
again when the whale hit  
the boat amidships mak-  
ing a large hole we put  
and made for the ship & he  
was out of sight of every-  
body for 2 hours or more.

August 21 1904 Went into  
the Chukchi Sea this evening  
light winds from the S.E.  
August 22 Saw our first  
right whale but too rugged  
to lower.



August 25-1904 Raise a right  
whale at 6.10. Lower the  
5 boats land sturck and  
then the first mate follow  
soon after brought her a  
longside about 9.30.

August 27 Lat 46.00  
Sighted Sakhalin Island  
we are about ten miles  
to the south of it.

August 28, 1904 Raise a  
right whale.

Sept. 23-1904- Came out of  
the Ochotsk Sea. Lat.  $46^{\circ}30'$   
Course by compass S. E. by E.

Oct. 7. 1904 Crossed the  
meridian this morning  
position at 8.30 A. M.

Lat  $42.50^{\circ}$  N Long  $179.20^{\circ}$  W.

Oct. 8, 1904

Lat.  $42.30^{\circ}$  N

Long  $175.40^{\circ}$  W.



Oct. 10 1904. 24 hrs. 213  
miles from San Francisco  
coast E. by N. Steering  
N. 44° W. 24 hrs. Lat. 42.30  
Long 170.20

Oct. 12. 1904 Lat. 41.30 N.  
Long 164.44 W.

Oct. 15 1904 Started to clear  
ship at twelve o'clock we  
were 1300 miles from Frisco

Oct 19. 1904. Lat. 39.40 N.  
Long 139.40 W.

Nov. 25. 1904. Left San  
Francisco on the C. P. Ranger  
on a whaling cruise.

Jan 9. 1905. Went on to  
where the 5th mate will  
go in the straggles when  
I struck my first whale.

Sunday Island

Lat 31.30 S.  
Long 178.50 W.



43  
24  
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Jan. 19 1905 Raised a short  
whale between Surridge and  
Coat Island lower and got  
it

Jan. 21 1905 Raised a school  
of sperm whales lower and  
got four.

Mar. 21 1905 Raised a large  
school of sperm whales  
lower the four boats and  
got seven small ones.  
Second makes boatmen  
got lost while it was  
in whole. It was lost  
when the boat got  
glared.

May 19 1905 Arrived at  
Norfolk Island captain  
mate went ashore

Captain sent off oranges  
& provisions for the  
also some for the



The natives came off late  
in the afternoon and  
brought us oranges which  
they gave to us men. we  
are going to get mud &  
water but not fresh veg-  
etables there is no.

The natives are all English  
and the boat has a whole  
family in there parents  
and so they know what  
a sailors life is like.

May 21-1905 Today being  
Sunday the natives will  
not be off so they go to  
church and observe the  
sabbath and also school  
is kept. so the three men  
and our men are gone  
fishing. The large merchant  
man passed closed in to  
this afternoon bound S.F.  
probably to New Zealand.



May 29-1905 Left Norfolk  
Island This afternoon

This morning a few of the  
Captains friends came  
came aboard to look over  
the ship as soon as they  
went ashore we set sail  
and went away Course E by N.  
Lat 29-10 S Long 168-00 E.

June 7-1905 Lat 26-05 S.

June 11 1905 Raised a large  
sperm whale going S. E. It  
was impossible for us to  
lower a boat.

June 20 1905 Lat 22.23

We are bound for Tahiti

July 24 Arrived at Tahiti  
Dropped anchor at 8 o'clock  
It is a very pretty island  
it contains about 10,000  
inhabitants



Aug 19-1905 Left Tahiti  
for the right whaling  
grounds passed across  
Hawaii Line U. S. W.

Oct 6-1905

Lat 34 18 S.

Long 168 W.

Oct 8 1905 Raised a school  
of right whales forced  
but did not get any.

Oct 15 1905 Raised a school of  
right whales at 8 A. M. Lower  
four boats the fifth mate  
went over the whale but it  
was down to deep the second  
mate got close his boatman  
darted but missed boats came  
about at 1 P. M. at 4 P. M.  
Lower three boats got  
close but there was no wind  
boats came aboard at 6.30 P. M.  
there is a heavy swell  
from the Southward.



Oct. 16-1905 Raise right  
whales at 6 A.M. Lower  
three boats at 9.30 A.M.  
No wind boats unable to  
get close to the whale boats  
came aboard at 4 P.M.  
At 5 P.M. Lowered three  
boats light breeze heavy  
swell whales going to lower  
ed boats came aboard at 6.30 P.M.

Oct 17/1905 Raise right  
whales at 6 A.M. Strong  
breeze from the S.W.  
whales going to windward  
raise whales at 4.30 P.M.  
to windward of the ship  
coming to leeward cap-  
would not lower passed  
within 500 feet of the  
ship-



Oct 18-1905 Raised a  
right whale lower the  
boat called there aboard  
at four o'clock.

Oct 28-1905 Raised a  
right whale lower the  
boats but the whales were  
going too fast to catch.

Nov 9-1905 Raised a  
school of sperm whales  
lowered three boats and  
got one.

Nov 20-1905 Started for  
Cape Horn light breeze  
from the N.W.

Dec 16-1905 Lat 47.20  
Long 110 West. 2000 miles  
N.W. of Cape Horn.

Dec 25-1905 We are off  
of Cape Horn it is a fine  
Christmas sighted two ships  
bound to the westward  
Had mast head from 2-4

Lat 56.20 South  
Long 70.15 West  
Dec-27-1905 Passed State  
Island at 8.30 this  
morning. Change the  
course from E 1/4 E to N.E.  
1/4 E from 1/2 easterly  
variation passed a English  
bark bound to the westward  
Dec-30-1905- At three o'clock  
this morning sighted a large  
iceberg at six we sighted  
another about five miles to  
windward.

Jan. 3-1906. Raised a whale  
this afternoon at 3.30. Lower  
the boat at 5.20 and the  
second mate got fast brought  
it alongside at 7.30.



Jan 13 1906 Raise a whale  
at 5.30 lower three boats  
and the mate got lost  
brought it alongside and  
cut it in.

Jan 28-1906 Spoke barge  
Raccoon of Lund from  
Hamburg to Portland Oregon  
we got 5 sacks of coal  
sacks of potatoes and 2 boxes  
of tobacco. she is out today

Feb. 22-1906 Spoke bark-  
entine Stranger of Liverpool  
Nova Scotia. from Buenos  
Ayres to New York got a  
few potatoes.

Feb. 23 1906 Spoke Italian  
bark Tantara from Buenos  
Ayres to Barbados in ballast  
got potatoes, and a few  
small things.



Feb. 26-1906 Spoke S. S.  
South America bound  
to the N. E. Lat 13-40 Long  
35-25-

Mar. 3 1906 Spoke S. S.  
Matfin bound to South  
America Lat 11.15-Long 34.33

Mar. 9-1906 Cross the equator  
at 11.45- wind from S. E.  
course steered by compass  
N. N. E. light winds.

April 3-1906 Came to  
anchor at Barladow  
this morning at eight  
o'clock.

April 13 1906, Hove up  
anchor this morning  
and started for Florence

April 15-1906 Came to  
Anchor at 2 o'clock this  
afternoon three whales  
in front.



June 1st 1906 Raise a  
School of whale lower and  
got one. Sch. Lt. Inver  
lower and got one.

June 3 1906 Raise a dead  
whale lower got and  
brought it alongside.

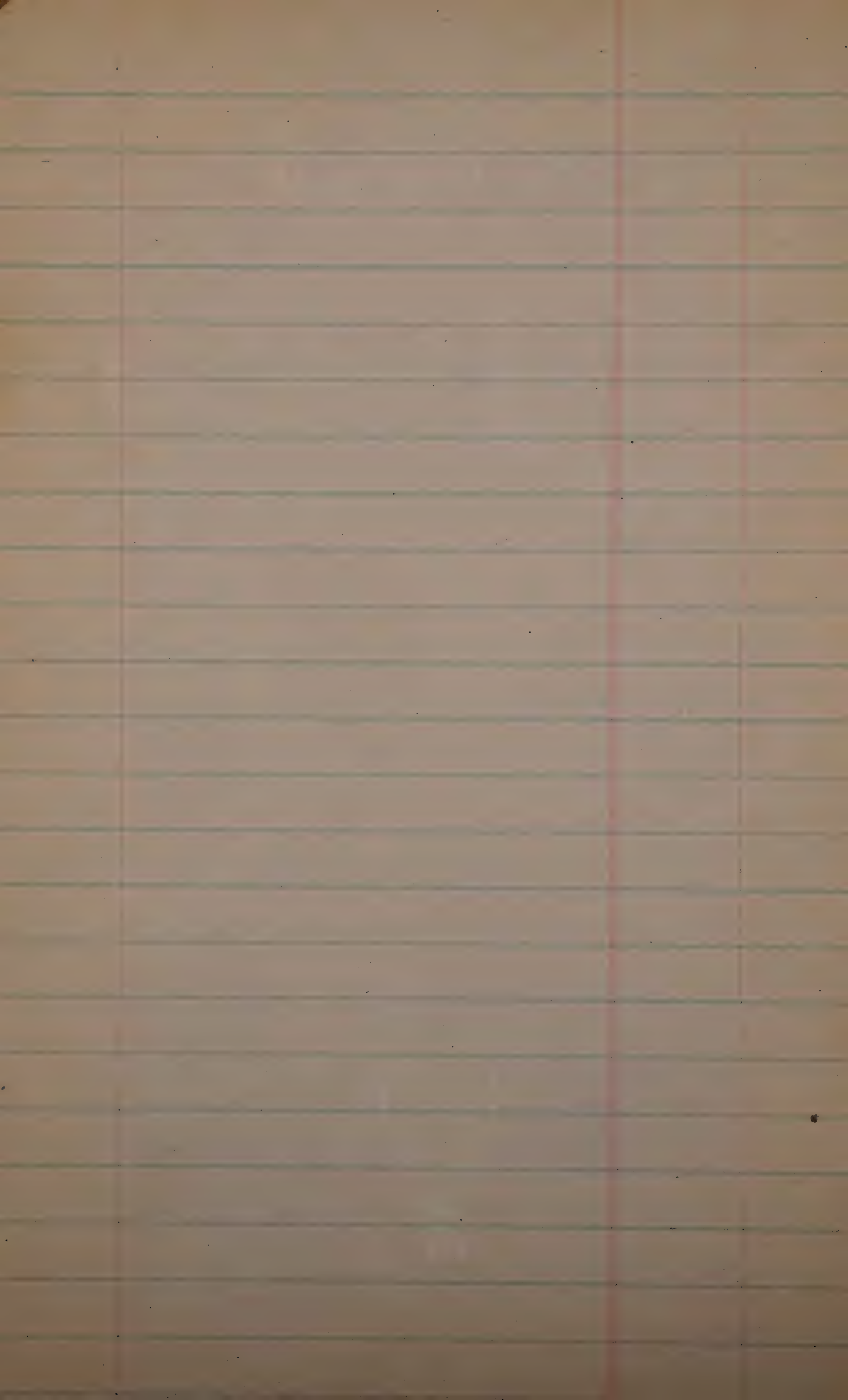
June 4-1906 Raise a school  
of sperm whales lower  
and got seven -

June 5 1906 S fork Sch  
Adelia Chase raise sperm  
whale the cet. got but  
we got one.

Lat 38-20-Long. 71.40

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Bk. John. & Wintthrop  
Whaling Season 1902.

13 lbs. Tobacco

\$ 7. 80

8 Bars. Soap .80

5 yds. Canvas 2. 00

1 Cap 1. 00

1 Pair Sea Boots 3. 50

2 " " Socks 1. 00

1 " " Mittens . 50

1 " " Duck Pants 2. 00

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1 Canvas Jacket 2. 00



Bk. Chas. W. Morgan  
Whaling Season 1903

14 lbs Tobacco	\$ 8.40
2 Bars Soap	.50
1 Sheaf Knife	.50
1 Pair Messenker But	1 .30
1 Pair Shoes	2 .50
2 yds Lingerie	1 .00
1 Pair Slippers	1 .75
1 Jack Knife	1 .00
1 Pair Suspenders	1 .00
2 Shirts	2 .00
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Bk. Lhas. St. Eugene  
Whaling Season 1904

14 Lbs. Tobacco	8 .40
3 Bars Soap	1 .25
1 Cap	1 .00
1 Pr. Tricopher Boots	2 .50
2 Pair Socks	1 .50
Cash.	5 .00
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Bk. Charles Morgan  
 Itching Season 1905-06

1 School Squad		.25
19 1/2 lbs Tobacco	12	10
Cash in Tahiti	10	00
" " Barbados	11	00
Adm. and Int.	57	75
	<u>88</u>	<u>51</u>
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Dimensions of S.S.  
 Baltic. The largest steamship  
 of Great Britain  
 length 726 feet long









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